

House Bill 299

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

To amend Part 2 of Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the State Board of Funeral Service, so as to prohibit the board from requiring funeral service and embalming businesses from having mandatory hours of operation; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Part 2 of Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the State Board of Funeral Service, is amended by revising paragraph (3) of Code Section 43-18-23, relating to the powers and duties of the board, as follows:

"(3) To fix and prescribe rules and regulations governing the business or profession of funeral directing and the business or profession of embalming; provided, however, that the board shall not be authorized to mandate, establish, or otherwise dictate the hours of operation to be observed by any funeral director, establishment, or service or for any embalming or crematory business;"

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.